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16.3: The fundamental Theorem for Line Integrals

16.4: Green's Theorem

DEFINITION 1. *(discussed in Sec. 16.4)* A vector field \mathbf{F} is called a **conservative vector field** if it is the gradient of some scalar function f s.t. $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$. In this situation f is called a **potential function** for \mathbf{F} .

Recall Part 2 of the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus:

$$\int_a^b F'(x) dx = F(b) - F(a),$$

where F' is continuous on $[a, b]$.

• **The fundamental Theorem for Line Integrals:** Let C be a smooth curve given by $\mathbf{r}(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$. Let f be a differentiable function of two or three variables and ∇f is continuous on C . Then

$$\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(\mathbf{r}(b)) - f(\mathbf{r}(a)). \quad (*) \quad \mathbf{F}(t) := f(\mathbf{r}(t))$$

REMARK 2. If C is a closed curve then

$\mathbf{r}(b) = \mathbf{r}(a)$

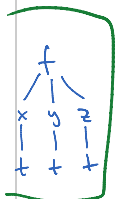
$$\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0$$

$f(\mathbf{r}(b)) - f(\mathbf{r}(a)) = 0$

Proof of (*): $\frac{f(\mathbf{r}(b)) - f(\mathbf{r}(a))}{F(b) - F(a)} =$

$$= \int_a^b \frac{df(\mathbf{r}(t))}{dt} dt = \int_a^b \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} x'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} y'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} z'(t) \right) dt = \int_a^b \nabla f(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt$$

Fund. Thm of Calc
Chain rule



COROLLARY 3. If F is a conservative vector field and C is a curve with initial point A and terminal point B then:

$\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$
for some f

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(B) - f(A)$$

the difference of the values of a potential at B and at A

Independent of a path C
(depends on the initial and terminal point only)

$\int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$

EXAMPLE 4. Find the work done by the gravitational field

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = -\frac{GmM}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} (x, y, z)$$

in moving a particle with mass m from the point $(1, 2, 2)$ to the point $(3, 4, 12)$ along a piecewise-smooth curve C .

By Example 6 of Sec 16.1 $f(x, y, z) = \frac{GmM}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$ is a potential of \mathbf{F} , i.e. $\nabla f = \mathbf{F} \Rightarrow$

$$W = \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(3, 4, 12) - f(1, 2, 2) = GmM \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2 + 12^2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}} \right)$$

$$= GmM \left(\frac{1}{13} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

Notations And Definitions:

DEFINITION 5. A piecewise-smooth curve is called a **path**.

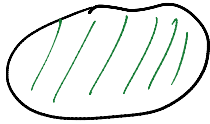
• Types of curves:

without self-intersection
 simple not closed not simple not closed simple closed not simple, closed

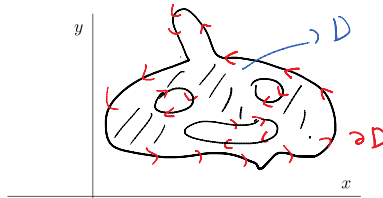
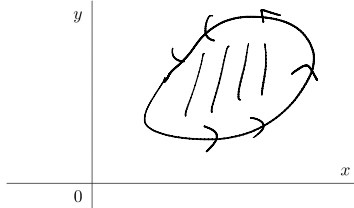


• Types of regions:

roughly no holes ← simply connected not simply connected → roughly there is a hole (at least one)



• **Convention:** The **positive orientation** of a simple closed curve C refers to a single *counterclockwise* traversal of C . If C is given by $\mathbf{r} = x(t)\mathbf{i} + y(t)\mathbf{j}, a \leq t \leq b$, then the region D bounded by C is always on the left as the point $\mathbf{r}(t)$ traverses C .

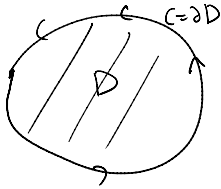


• The positively oriented boundary curve of D is denoted by ∂D .

∂D consist of 4 simple closed curves

•**GREEN'S THEOREM:** Let C be a positively oriented, piecewise-smooth, simple closed curve in the plane and let D be the region bounded by C . If $P(x, y)$ and $Q(x, y)$ have continuous partial derivatives on an open region that contains D , then

$$\oint_{\partial D} P dx + Q dy = \iint_D \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dA.$$

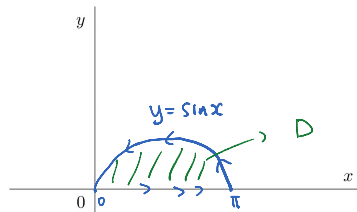


How to remember: The component of dy (i.e. Q) is differentiated w.r.t. x and the component of dx (i.e. P) is differentiated w.r.t. y and multiplied by (-1)

EXAMPLE 6. Evaluate:

$$I = \oint_C \underbrace{e^x(1-\cos y)}_P dx - \underbrace{e^x(1-\sin y)}_Q dy$$

where C is the boundary of the domain $D = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq \pi, 0 \leq y \leq \sin x\}$.



Way 1: Parametrize C 😞

Way 2: Green's Theorem

$$P = e^x(1-\cos y)$$

$$Q = -e^x(1-\sin y)$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = -e^x(1-\sin y) - e^x \cdot \sin y = -e^x + \cancel{e^x \sin y} -$$

$$- \cancel{e^x \sin y} = -e^x$$

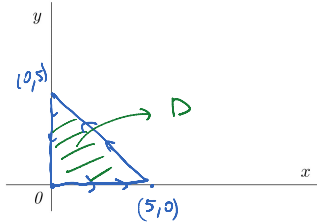
$$I \stackrel{\text{Green's Thm}}{=} \iint_D (-e^x) dx dy = - \int_0^\pi \left(\int_0^{\sin x} e^x dy \right) dx = - \int_0^\pi e^x \sin x dx =$$

Calc 1
Integration by
parts using
loops...

$$= \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}(e^\pi + 1)}$$

EXAMPLE 7. Let C be a triangular curve consisting of the line segments from $(0,0)$ to $(5,0)$, from $(5,0)$ to $(0,5)$, and from $(0,5)$ to $(0,0)$. Evaluate the following integral:

$$I_1 = \oint_C \underbrace{\left(x^2y + \frac{1}{2}y^2\right)}_P dx + \underbrace{\left(xy + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x\right)}_Q dy$$



Use Green's Thm

$$P = x^2y + \frac{1}{2}y^2$$

$$Q = xy + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 3x$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \underbrace{y + x^2 + 3}_{\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}} - \underbrace{(x^2 + y)}_{\frac{\partial P}{\partial y}} = 3$$

$$I_1 \stackrel{\text{Green's Thm}}{=} \iint_D 3 \, dx \, dy = 3 \iint_D dx \, dy = 3 \cdot \text{Area}(D) = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 5 \cdot 5 = \frac{75}{2}$$

Rem: $\text{Area}(D) = \int_0^5 \int_0^{5-x} dy \, dx = -\int_0^5 y \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^5 x \, dy - y \, dx = \frac{75}{2}$

SUMMARY: Let $\mathbf{F}(x,y) = P(x,y)\mathbf{i} + Q(x,y)\mathbf{j}$ be a vector field on an open simply connected (no holes) domain D . Suppose that P and Q have continuous partial derivatives through D . Then the facts below are equivalent.

for arbitrary domain D (also with hole)

The field \mathbf{F} is conservative on $D \iff$ There exists f s.t. $\nabla f = \mathbf{F}$

(see Corollary 3 above)

The field \mathbf{F} is conservative on $D \iff \int_{AB} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ is independent of path in D

Sketch: wlog D is connected. Fix a point $A \in D$

Set $f(B) := \int_{AB} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$



Claim: $\nabla f = \mathbf{F}$

Under assumption D is simply connected

The field \mathbf{F} is conservative on $D \iff \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$ throughout D

$(\implies) \mathbf{F}$ is conservative \implies there exist f s.t. $\begin{cases} f_x = P \\ f_y = Q \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} f_x = P \\ f_y = Q \end{cases} \iff P_y = Q_x$

The field \mathbf{F} is conservative on $D \iff \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0$ for every closed curve C in D

Rem: If D is not simply connected $\implies \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$ in general does not imply that $\mathbf{F} = \langle P, Q \rangle$ is conservative. See Example 6 of lecture notes 16.2

EXAMPLE 8. Determine whether or not the vector field is conservative:

- (a) $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle x^2 + y^2, 2xy \rangle$. \mathbb{R}^2 is simply connected
 $P = x^2 + y^2, Q = 2xy$ $P_y = 2y, Q_x = 2y$ $P_y = Q_x \Rightarrow$
 \Rightarrow is conservative
- (b) $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle x^2 + 3y^2 + 2, 3x + ye^{xy} \rangle$
 $P = x^2 + 3y^2 + 2, Q = 3x + ye^{xy}$ $P_y = 6y, Q_x = 3$
 $6y \neq 3 \Rightarrow \vec{F}$ is not conservative

EXAMPLE 9. Given $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \sin y \mathbf{i} + (x \cos y + \sin y) \mathbf{j}$.

- (a) Show that \mathbf{F} is conservative.
 $P = \sin y, Q = x \cos y + \sin y$ $P_y = \cos y, Q_x = \cos y$
 $P_y = Q_x \Rightarrow \mathbf{F}$ is conservative

- (b) Find a function f s.t. $\nabla f = \mathbf{F}$
 If f is a potential then $\nabla f = \vec{F} = \langle P, Q \rangle$
 $\begin{cases} f_x = P \\ f_y = Q \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} f_x = \sin y & \text{(Eq 1)} \\ f_y = x \cos y + \sin y & \text{(Eq 2)} \end{cases}$
 Integrate Eq 1 w.r.t. x : $f = \int \sin y dx + C(y) = x \sin y + C(y)$

All terms with x must be cancelled at this step, otherwise there was a mistake before
 Plug this to (Eq 2): $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x \sin y + C(y)) = x \cos y + C'(y) = x \cos y + \sin y$
 $\Rightarrow C'(y) = \sin y \Rightarrow C(y) = \int \sin y + C_1 = -\cos y + C_1 \Rightarrow f(x, y) = x \sin y - \cos y + C_1$

Rem: We can start with (Eq 2) if it is more convenient to integrate Q w.r.t. y than to integrate P w.r.t. x

the general form of potential of \vec{F} (we can choose $C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow f(x, y) = x \sin y - \cos y$)

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = f(0, \frac{\pi}{2}) - f(3, 0)$$

$$f(3, 0) = \underbrace{0 \cdot \overset{0}{\sin \frac{\pi}{2}} - \overset{0}{\cos \frac{\pi}{2}}}_{f(0, \frac{\pi}{2})} - \underbrace{(3 \cdot \overset{0}{\sin 0} - \overset{1}{\cos 0})}_{f(3, 0)} = 1$$

(d) Evaluate $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ where C is an arbitrary path in \mathbb{R}^2 .

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0, \text{ because } \vec{F} \text{ is conservative}$$

→ Will be given in course of 16.5

EXAMPLE 10. Given

$$\mathbf{F} = \langle 2xy^3 + z^2, 3x^2y^2 + 2yz, y^2 + 2xz \rangle.$$

Find a function f s.t. $\nabla f = \mathbf{F}$

1) If such f exists then $\text{curl } \vec{F} = 0$. Check whether it is true.

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 2xy^3 + z^2 & 3x^2y^2 + 2yz & y^2 + 2xz \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2y - 2y) & \hat{i} - (2z - 2z) & \hat{j} + \\ + (6xy^2 - 6xy^2) & \hat{k} = 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\text{curl } \vec{F} = 0$ in $\mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow \vec{F}$ is conservative \Rightarrow there exists f s.t. $\nabla f = \vec{F}$

2) Find f by solving the system of equations:

$$\nabla f = \vec{F} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} f_x = 2xy^3 + z^2 & (\text{Eq 1}) \\ f_y = 3x^2y^2 + 2yz & (\text{Eq 2}) \\ f_z = y^2 + 2xz & (\text{Eq 3}) \end{cases} \Rightarrow f = \int (2xy^3 + z^2) dx = x^2y^3 + z^2x + C(y, z) \Rightarrow$$

Plug into (Eq 2): $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2y^3 + z^2x + C(y, z)) = 3x^2y^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} C(y, z) = 3x^2y^2 + 2yz$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial y} C(y, z) = 2yz \rightarrow$ at this step all terms containing x must be cancelled.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} C(y, z) = 2yz \xrightarrow[\text{w.r.t. } y]{\text{Integrate}} C(y, z) = \int 2yz dy = y^2z + C_1(z)$$

Plugging $C(y, z)$ into (x): $f = x^2y^3 + z^2x + y^2z + C_1(z)$

Plug it into (Eq 3): $\frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2y^3 + z^2x + y^2z + C_1(z)) = 2zx + y^2 + \frac{d}{dz} C_1(z) = y^2 + 2xz \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dz} C_1(z) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1(z) = \text{const}$

Finally, $f = x^2y^3 + z^2x + y^2z + C_1$

We can take $C_1 = 0$